



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:)
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Serial No.: 10/750,741)
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For: Method For Manufacturing)
An Item)

Group Art Unit: 2125

Examiner: Masinick, Michael, D.

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated May 5, 2005. Applicant requests reconsideration and re-examination of the above-referenced application for patent in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 8-13 are currently pending in the application. The Examiner has rejected claims 8-13 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) "as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0196312 to *Moore* et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,611,380 to *Abe* et al." Office Action, p. 3. In particular, the Examiner asserts that "[i]t would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to use the component barcode information relaying system of *Abe* to relay information about components to be attached in *Moore* because "a barcode label used in the control method is effective... to provide information and instructions relating to the models, types and/or specifications of the products [to be installed]." *Id.*, pp. 4-5.